

Having disclosed the invention, what is claimed for Letters Patent follows:

1. An annular drain pan mountable over a drum lid, the drum lid integral with a drum containing a liquid, a pump mounted through a first opening in the drum lid and a second opening in the drum lid adapted to function as an air hole, the annular drain pan comprising,

multiple parallel channels on a top surface for conducting liquids in the drain pan downwardly from the pump to a drain hole, the drain hole vertically aligned with the second opening in the drum lid;

a drain hole cover mounted over the drain hole of the drain pan, the cover having a removable fine mesh filter to prevent solid particles from falling into the drum; and

the annular drip pan having a raised annular rim over the top surface and a side edge having a U-shaped indentation to accommodate an upwardly directed pump conduit.

2. The annular drain pan according to claim 1 wherein multiple parallel channels are formed between multiple pairs of longitudinally extending walls having a height increasing from the pump conduit to a portion of the drain pan adjacent the drain hole.

3. The annular drain pan according to claim 1 wherein the drain hole cover has a front face composed of multiple spaced apart rear and front vertically disposed, axially aligned, parallel ribs forming openings through which liquid can flow and a slot along a top horizontal edge into which a fine mesh filter is removably inserted to catch debris in liquid dripping from the pump.
4. The annular drain pan according to claim 1 wherein a first and second end of the drain hole cover is mounted in slots formed by a first and second pair of peg members affixed to an inner circumference wall of the drain pan.
5. The annular drain pan according to claim 3 wherein the drain hole cover has a pair of handles mounted to a top surface.
6. The annular drain pan according to claim 1 wherein the drain hole cover has a removable fine mesh filter positioned in a slot formed by multiple rear and front ribs spaced apart, the filter held in place by a friction fit at a front portion of the drain hole cover.
7. The annular drain pan according to claim 1 wherein the drain pan covers the top surface of a fifty-five gallon drum.
8. An annular drain pan mountable over a drum lid, the drum lid integral with a drum containing a liquid, a pump mounted through a first opening in the drum lid and a second opening in

the drum lid adapted to function as an air hole, the annular drain pan comprising,

a raised annular rim over a top surface and a side edge having a U-shaped indentation to accommodate an upwardly directed pump conduit;

the top surface slanted downwardly from the U-shaped indentation to a drain hole axially aligned with the second opening of the drum, the top surface having multiple parallel channels for conducting liquids in the drain pan downwardly from the pump to the drain hole; and

a drain hole cover mounted over the drain hole, the cover having a removable fine mesh filter to prevent solid particles from falling into the drum.

9. The annular drain pan according to claim 8 wherein the drain hole cover has a convexly shaped rear edge that fits complimentary to the rim of the drain pan.

10. The annular drain pan according to claim 8 wherein the drain hole cover has a straight front face, the front face having a having a rear and front set of axially aligned, parallel, vertically disposed ribs, the ribs attached between a bottom edge and top edge of the front face.

11. The annular drain pan according to claim 10 wherein the axially aligned ribs form openings through which a liquid flows, the rear and front multiple spaced ribs forming a

vertical slot along the top edge.

12. The annular drain pan according to claim 11 wherein the drain hole cover has a removable fine mesh filter positioned in the vertical slot.

13. The annular drip pan according to claim 8 wherein the drain pan covers a fifty-five gallon drum.

14. In a liquid containing cylindrical drum closed at a first end with a base member and at a second end with a lid, the lid having a first opening as a vertical conduit for a pump and a second opening as an air hole, the lid covered with an annular drain pan, the improvement wherein the annular drain pan comprises,

multiple parallel channels on a top surface for conducting a liquid dripping from the pump downwardly to a portion of the drain pan containing a drain hole, the drain hole vertically aligned with the second opening in the drum lid;

each multiple parallel channel formed between a pair of longitudinally extending walls having a height increasing from the pump conduit to the portion of the drip pan containing the drain hole;

a cover mounted over the drain hole and integrally connected to the top surface of the drain pan having a removable fine mesh filter to prevent debris from falling

into the drum;

the annular drain pan having a raised annular rim over the top surface and a side edge having a U-shaped indentation to accommodate the vertical conduit for directing the pump.

15. The annular drain pan according to claim 14 wherein a drain hole cover is mounted over the drain hole, the drain hole cover having a semicircular rear wall and a solid front wall, the semicircular rear wall having a forward and rear set multiple vertically disposed, axially aligned, parallel ribs forming openings through which liquid flows, the forward and rear set of ribs forming a vertical slot with an opening in the top surface of the drain hole cover.

16. The annular drain pan according to claim 14 wherein the forward and rear set of multiple parallel ribs terminate at, and are integrally connected to, a top surface of the drain pan.

17. The annular drain pan according to claim 14 wherein the drain hole cover has a solid front wall that terminates at, and is integrally connected to, the top surface of the drain pan.

18. The annular drain pan according to claim 15 wherein a removable filter having a pair of tabs on a top edge is positioned in the vertical slot formed by the forward and rear set of ribs.

19. The annular drain pan according to claim 14 wherein the drain pan is mounted over the lid of a fifty-five gallon drum.